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A Proclamation to restraine accesse to the Court, of all such as are not bound to ordinarie attendance, or that shall not be otherwise by her Maiestie.



Her Queenes Maiestie being duely informed how greatly and in many places the infection of the sicknesse is at this time disperfed, by reason whereof her Highnesse in her princely care and wisdom, waying the danger thereof, and how necessarie it is to haue restraint made of haunt and repaire to her Maiesties Court, doeth vpon this good consideration, and that her Court may (with Gods fauour) be the better preserved frō infection, charge and command, that no maner persons, but such as haue cause to remaine or come to her Court for their ordinarie attendance vpon her Maiesties person, or to doe seruice in her Court, shall make their repaire to her Court, or within two miles of the same, vpon payne to be committed to prison for their contempt. And where by her Maiesties commaundement there are certaine orders made, who, & how many shall be commanded to attend for the seruice of her Maiestie, either for her Chamber, or for her household, or for attendance vpon her Counsaillors, or other her Maiesties ordinarie Seruants in Court, and that no mo shall be admitted to follow the Court, or to enter into the same: Her Maiestie straightly chargeth both her Counsaillors and her principall officers of her Chamber, and of her Household, that they see the same orders duely obserued, and that such as shall breake the same orders, shall be sharply punished. And considering that Trinitie Terme begun at Westminster the fifteenth day of this moneth, in some part is adiourned, as by her Highnesse Proclamation is notified, Her Maiestie also commandeth that all priuate suitors shal forbear to come to the Court where her Maiestie shall reside, vntill the ninth day of October next. And if there be any extraordinarie cause for any person to come to the Court with matter to be certified to her Maiestie, or to any of her priue Counsell, who shall require to be heard presently without further delay, the same partie shall not enter within the gates of her Maiesties Court, vntill hee haue either by her Maiesties Porters of her gates, or by some other person allowed to serue within the Court, giuen knowledge of his name, place and Countrey, from whence he cometh, to be signified to the Lord Chamberlaine, or vice-chamberlaine, or to some other person of her Maiesties priue Counsell, and thereupon as the case shall require, to be licenced by any of them to come within the gates of her Court, and not to tary any longer then they shall be so licenced. And if the parties shall haue onely letters to deliuer to any within the Court, then not to come within the Court gates, but to send the same letters to the persons to whom they are directed, from whom when they shall haue answere, they shall not longer continue neere to the Court, vpon paine of imprisonment. Finally, her Maiestie commandeth that no maner of person allowed to attend in her Court, shal repaire to London, or to the suburbes or places within two miles of the Citie, nor any other Citie, Borough, Towne, Village, or places infected, without special licence of the Counsaillor or other officer vnder whom he serueth, in writing to be shewed to any officer that shall seeke to impeach him, vpon paine to bee imprisoned by attachment of the knight Marshall or of his officers, if the partie shall not shew in writing sufficient warrant both for his going and returning. Her Maiestie also straightly chargeth and commandeth the Knight Marshall of her Household, that he shall cause due search to be made of all vagabonds commonly called Rogues that shall haunt about the Court, or in any places within the verge, and them to apprehend and commit, to bee ordered and punished according to the lawes provided for such offendours.

Giuen at her Highnesse Mannor of Ronesuch, the xliiii. day of June, 1593. and in the xxxv. yeere of her Maiesties Reigne.

God saue the Queene.

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